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SUBJECT: BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT

1. ON SEPTEMBER 3, ROKG EMBASSY DELIVERED LETTER TO DEPARTMENT STATING THAT ADMINISTRATIVE ERROR HAD RESULTED IN OVERSHIPMENT IN CATEGORY 221(KNITSWEATERS) FOR CURRENT AGREEMENT YEAR (ENDING SEPTEMBER 30). COMMERCIAL ATTACHE LEE INDICATED THAT SHIPMENTS AUTHORIZED WERE 205,310 DOZEN UNITS OVER ADJUSTED AGREEMENT LEVEL OF 3.014 MILLION DOZEN (INCLUDING SWING AND CARRY FORWARD). ROKG REQUESTED PERMISSION FOR OVERSHIPMENT TO BE ENTERED NOW AND CHARGED TO NEXT AGREEMENT YEAR.

2. WASHINGTON AGENCIES REVIEWED ROKG REQUEST, AND DETERMINED WE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO ACCEDE TO IT. CATEGORY 221 IS AMONG MOST SENSITIVE DOMESTICALLY, WITH IMPORT/PRODUCTION RATIO OF OVER 90 PERCENT. IMPORTS HAVE RISEN RAPIDLY IN
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RECENT MONTHS, AND SEVERAL OTHER MAJOR SUPPLIERS ARE PRESSING

AGAINST QUOTA CEILINGS. ALTHOUGH THERE IS ONLY A SHORT PERIOD UNTIL THE BEGINNING OF THE NEXT AGREEMENT YEAR, WASHINGTON AGENCIES DETERMINED THE KOREAN REQUEST MUST BE TURNED DOWN IN FAIRNESS TO OTHER AGREEMENT PARTNERS WHO REMAIN BOUND BY THEIR QUOTAS. AS A PRACTICAL MATTER, WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT A THREE WEEK DELAY IN ENTRY CONSTITUTES A SERIOUS DISRUPTION OF TRADE.

3. ROKG EMBASSY WAS INFORMED OF DECISION ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9. ROBINSON

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